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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/71/102/Rev.1 of 18 July 2016, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2017.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:[1]

Cheikh Tidiane **Dème** (Senegal)
Gordon **Eckersley** (Australia)
Bernardo **Greiver** (Uruguay)
Ugo **Sessi** (Italy)
Alejandro **Torres Lépori** (Argentina)

3. The candidates' curricula vitae are set out in the annex to the present note.

[1] The election for the remaining vacancy beginning on 1 January 2017 was postponed.

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Annex

Curricula vitae*

Cheikh Tidiane Dème (Senegal)

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Date and place of birth: 11 January 1968, Nioro du Rip

Professional experience

2015	Vice-Chair, Committee on Conferences
2013-2015	Member, Committee on Conferences
Since 2013	Delegate on the Fifth Committee (administrative and budgetary committee); in this capacity, considers issues relating to:

- the budget
- the Committee on Contributions
- the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)
- the Committee on Conferences
- the Committee for Programme and Coordination
- human resources management (Staff Rules and Staff Regulations of the United Nations, International Civil Service Commission, United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, allowances)
- the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations
- oversight bodies (Board of Auditors, Joint Inspection Unit, Office of Internal Oversight Services, Independent Audit Advisory Committee)
- the administration of justice at the United Nations (Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, Office of Administration of Justice)
- the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management
- management and Secretariat reform
- activities of the Group of 77 and China, the Group of African States, the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the International Organization of la Francophonie

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

January 2013	First Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Senegal to the United Nations, New York
September 2012	Member of Senegalese delegation to the seventh session of the Joint High Commission on Senegalese-Gabonese Cooperation, Dakar, 14 and 15 September 2012
May 2012	Fourth induction training course for senior government officials and defence attachés in West and Central Africa, jointly organized by the Centre for Security Policy, Geneva, the General Staff of the Senegalese Armies; and the Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (CEDS), Dakar; held in Dakar, Senegal, 7-15 May, 2012
November 2011	"Fighting cybercrime associated with terrorism and religious extremism", seminar jointly organized by the German Federal Office of Criminal Police (*Bundeskriminalamt*, BKA-) and the African Centre for Studies and Research on Terrorism (CAEERT) of the African Union, Dakar, 21-25 November 2011
June 2011	Member of the organizing committee for the First World Conference of Ulema, Dakar, 6-8 June 2011
May 2011	Observation and monitoring missions in Nigeria, Cameroon and Gabon — special review of registered voters living abroad, ahead of the presidential election of 26 February 2012
Since April 2011	Member of the National Committee on the Situation of Refugees, Returnees and Displaced Persons (CNRRPD)
Since March 2011	Chief of North and East Africa Bureau, acting chief of both Central Africa Bureau and West Africa Bureau in the Africa-Asia Directorate
March 2011	Member of Select Committee for the Repatriation of Senegalese Nationals from Libya and Côte d'Ivoire
November 2010	Member of Senegalese delegation to the third African-European Union Summit, Tripoli, Libya, 29 and 30 November 2010
November 2010	Member of Senegalese delegation to the Preparatory Meeting of Experts for the fourteenth session of the Joint High Commission on Senegalese-Moroccan Cooperation, Dakar, 19 and 20 November 2010
July 2010	Member of Select Committee on the Reading and Correction of *Guide du diplomate sénégalais* (Guide for the Senegalese Diplomat), issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
June 2010	Member of Senegalese delegation to the fourth session of the Joint High Commission on Senegalese-Cameroonian Cooperation, Dakar, 23 and 24 June 2010

June 2010	Member of organizing committee for the First Conference of African Ulema, Dakar, 7-9 June 2010
April 2010	Member of International Preparatory Committee for the Conference of African Ulema
December 2009	Internship at Embassy of Senegal in Italy
Since October 2009	Foreign Affairs Counsellor in the Africa-Asia Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
August-September 2008	Practical training at the Fatick Prefecture and World Vision Fatick, internship report entitled *"Le Learning through Evaluation, Accountability and Planning (LEAP), une approche originale de Vision Mondiale concernant la conception, le suivi et l'évaluation de ses projets et programmes"* (Learning through Evaluation, Accountability and Planning (LEAP): World Vision's original approach to the design, monitoring and evaluation of its projects and programmes)
2003-2007	History and Geography teacher, Ahmadou Ndack Seck Secondary School, Thiès
1995-2003	History and Geography teacher, Diofior Middle School, Fatick area
March 1992	Participated in American-Senegalese archaeological excavation team led by Professor Roderick MacIntosh (Rice University, Houston) and Professor Hamady Bocoum (Basic Institute for Black Africa (IFAN) Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)) at Thioubalel (Senegal River valley)
April 1992	Participated in archaeological excavations at Siouré (Senegal River valley) led by Professor Ibnou Diagne, Department of History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences (FLSH) Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)
March-April 1991	Participated in archaeological prospection mission in the Thiès region (Diack quarry and Diakité sand quarry) and Sakar (Bargny quarry) led by Professor Adama Diop, Department of History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences (FLSH) Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)

Education and training

August 2013	Tools for new diplomats — United Nations skills training, Center for Global Affairs, New York University (School of Professional Studies (SCPS))
2007-2009	Diploma from the National School of Administration, Diplomacy Section, defence of thesis: *"La piraterie maritime somalienne: quelles réponses de la communauté internationale"*,

	("Somalian maritime piracy: the response of the international community") under the direction of His Excellency Mr. Alioune Diagne, Ambassador
1994	Middle School Teaching Certificate (CAEM)
1995	Dakar Teacher Training College
1993	Master's degree in History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences (FLSH) Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)
1992	Advanced Certificate in Prehistory, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences (FLSH) Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)
	Advanced Certificate in Ancient History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences (FLSH) Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD)
1991	Bachelor of Arts in History, Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences (FLSH Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD))
1987	Secondary School Leaving Certificate, Cheikhou Oumar Foutiyou Tall, Secondary School, Saint-Louis

Professional associations

Since November 2009	Member of Association of Foreign Affairs Counsellors of Senegal (UCAES)
2003-2009	Former member of the Group for the Pursuit and Promotion of Good Governance in Africa
2005-2007	Coordinator and Chair of the History and Geography Unit, Ahmadou Ndack Seck Secondary School, Thiès
2004-2007	Secretary-General, Thiès regional section of the Association of History and Geography Teachers
2000-2002	Member of the Committee to Revive the Association of History and Geography Teachers (ASPHG)
1997-2007	In charge of technical cutover in the Group on Population Studies and Education, Dakar Teacher Training College
Since 1988	Member of the National Association of Blood Donors (ANDOBES)

Languages

French	reads, writes and speaks
English	reads and writes
Spanish	reads, writes and speaks

Gordon Eckersley (Australia)

Present Position

Member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions. Vice-Chairman of the Committee since 2010.

Mr. Eckersley is a recently retired career foreign service officer with broad experience across the UN system and in international trade negotiations.

Previous professional experience in the foreign service

2011-2014	International Policy Advisor at the Australian Civil-Military Centre, an Australian Government agency which develops civil-military capabilities to prevent, prepare for and respond to international conflicts and natural disasters
2012	UNITAR-IPI Fellowship Program in Peacemaking and Preventative Diplomacy
2009	Australian delegation member, Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM), Port of Spain
	Adviser, Australian delegation to UNESCO, Paris, Vice-Chair, Administration Commission, UNESCO General Conference
2007	Foreign service course member, Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (Australian National Defence College), Canberra
2005-2006	Executive Officer Acting Director, United Nations and Commonwealth Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
2001-2004	Australian Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), The Hague
2000	Deputy Director, Agricultural Trade Policy Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
1997-1999	Deputy Head, Automotive Trade Task Force, Canberra
1995-1996	Executive Officer, Industrials Trade Policy Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra
1993-1994	Consul, Australian Consulate General, Noumea
1989-1992	Third Second Secretary, Australian Permanent Mission to the United Nations, Geneva
	Member of the Australian delegation to UNGA 44, 45, 46

Other professional experience

1981-1987 Army Officer, Australian Regular Army

Education

Master of Arts (Strategic Studies), Deakin University, Geelong

Bachelor of Arts (honours in Economics), University of New South Wales, Sydney

Graduate Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (Australian National Defence College), Canberra

Graduate Australian Royal Military College, Canberra

Bernardo Greiver (Uruguay)

Date and place of birth: 5 November 1962, Montevideo, Uruguay

Education

Degree in Foreign Relations (University of the Republic, Montevideo, Uruguay)

Graduated from the Artigas Foreign Service Institute (Diplomatic School of Uruguay)

Professional career

2015-present	Director General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2009-2015	Ambassador to Israel
2008-2009	Director General for Cultural Affairs and International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2008-2009	Chair of the Association of Foreign Service Staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2008	Director (interim) of the Artigas Foreign Service Institute (Diplomatic School of Uruguay)
2007-2009	President of the Foreign Service Mutual Insurance Fund
2007-2008	Director of Human Resources, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2006-present	Chair of the United Nations Committee on Contributions
2006	Promoted to minister counsellor following competitive examination
2004-2005	Vice-Chair of the United Nations Committee on Contributions
2002-2006	Embassy of Uruguay to Mexico, minister counsellor
2000-2003	Member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions, representing Latin America and the Caribbean
2000-2001	Head of secretariat, Secretary-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2001	Promoted to counsellor following Competitive Examination
1999	Diplomatic staff member of the secretariat to the President of the fifty-third session of the General Assembly of the United Nations
1997	Promoted to first secretary following competitive examination
1994-1999	Diplomatic Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations (Second and Fifth Committees)

1993	Head of secretariat, Department of Technical and Administrative Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1992	Diplomatic Secretary, General Office for Cultural Affairs
1991	Diplomatic secretary to the Department of Political Affairs, Division of Eastern Europe and the Former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
1990	Office of Consular Affairs
1989	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs following recruitment via competitive examination for career diplomats

Bernardo Greiver has participated in many international meetings, the most noteworthy of which include:

Organization of American States (OAS) Conference on Hemispheric Security; fifth ministerial conference of the World Trade Organization; third European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean presidential summit; special commemorative meeting of the General Assembly on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations; Pan American Child Congress (OAS); United Nations meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies; second inter-American meeting of Ministers of Culture and highest appropriate authorities; meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR) and the Andean Community; first inter-American meeting on cooperation mechanisms against organized crime, convened by the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission; Ibero-American Forum of Ministers of the Environment; OAS meeting of Ministers of Education; meeting of Ministers of Education at the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean summit, fifth global forum on reinventing government; General Assembly of the Organization of Ibero-American States; Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO) Inter-American meeting, at the ministerial level, on health and agriculture; meeting to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the Cartagena Declaration on Refugees; Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean; and meetings of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development and Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Ugo Sessi (Italy)

Date and place of birth: 7 August 1947, Cave (Rome)

Education

Degree in economy and finance

University of Rome (La Sapienza), Master's in budget and finance

Work experience

September 2012-present	Chartered Public Accountant and Auditor (CPA), consultant and expert in budget and finance for public and private entities
2010-August 2012	Italian Space Agency (ASI) — Director General for Budget and Administration and CFO
2007-2010	Ministry for Culture — Director General Finance and Budget Counsellor in the Cabinet of the Minister
1997-2007	Ministry of Economy and Finance — Head of Service (Scientific research — International Organizations)
1987-1997	Ministry of Economy and Finance — Head of Division (Industry and Scientific research
1979-1987	Ministry of Economy and Finance — Head of Section (International Organizations)
1977-1979	Ministry of Economy and Finance — Junior Counsellor (International Organizations)
1970-1977	Principal Secretary — Ministry for Tourism

Other professional experience

2014-present	External Auditor at the European University Institute
2006-present	Member of the Board of Auditors at RiMED (Scientific Foundation for medical research, a joint venture by the Italian Government, the National Council for Research, the Regional Government of Sicily and the University of Pittsburgh)
2005-2013	Chairman of the Board of Auditors at e-Geos (a space and telecommunications company

1987-1989	Board of Auditors (alternate) at the Western European Union
1987-2007	Auditor at hospitals in the Italian National Health Service
1977-1987	Auditor at Public schools

International experience

1990-2005 and 2014-present	Member of the Committee on Contributions of the United Nations (New York), elected Chair from 2000 to 2005 and Vice-Chair from 1994 to 1999
2008-2013	Member of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court (The Hague)
1979-1990 and 2007-2012	Fifth Committee of the UN General Assembly
1978-2006	General conferences and governing councils of international organizations: European Space Agency (1987-2006); UN Conference on LLDCs (1989); Luxembourg Conference on the European patent (1985); UN Conference on the third decade for development (1984); UNEP Convention on the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea from Pollution (1979, 1981, 1985); UNCTAD V and VI (1979, 1983); UN Conference on Science and Technology for Development (1979); FAO and IFAD (1983-1987); UNESCO (1978-1980); WIPO (1978-1983)
1978-2006	Budget and finance committees of international organizations: European Space Agency (1987-1990); European Organization for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere, European Southern Observatory (1987-2006 and in 1997-2001 Chair of the Finance Committee); European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (1987-1990); UNCTAD (1983-1996); UNDP (1981-1987); European Patent Office (1981-1987); GATT (1978-1988)

Language

English and French (spoken and written), Spanish (intermediate), Italian (mother tongue)

Alejandro Torres Lépori (Argentina)

Counsellor Alejandro Torres Lépori has been a member of the Foreign Service of the Argentine Republic since 1999.

Until 2004, Mr. Torres Lépori served in the Department of International Organizations and in the Office of Latin American Economic Integration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship in Buenos Aires. He has also represented Argentina at meetings of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Organization of American States (OAS). From 2000 to 2003, he represented Argentina on the Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC) of the United Nations, serving as rapporteur at its forty-second session, in 2002.

In 2004 he was posted to the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, and served as the representative of Argentina on the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly from the fifty-ninth to the sixty-third session. The Fifth Committee has responsibility for United Nations administrative and budgetary questions. At the sixty-second session he was elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Mr. Torres Lépori has extensive technical expertise in United Nations administrative and budgetary questions. At the sixty-second session of the Fifth Committee he coordinated negotiations on the programme budget of the United Nations for the biennium 2008-2009. He has also coordinated a large number of resolutions on other items, including administration of justice, pattern of conferences, and revised estimates for special political missions. He has also represented the Group of 77 and China in negotiations on other Fifth Committee items, in particular items relating to human resources management.

In addition, he has represented Argentina on the Committee on Conferences, and was elected its Vice-Chairman in 2008. During Argentina's tenure in the Security Council in 2005-2006, he was responsible for various issues before it, in particular the question of Haiti.

He also took part in the expert meetings on the scale of assessments of the OAS held in Washington, in 2007.

Mr. Torres Lépori was appointed member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) by the General Assembly for the period 2009-2011, having served as its Vice-Chairman in 2011. The ACABQ is a subsidiary organ of the General Assembly, whose functions are, inter alia, to advise it on any administrative and budgetary matters referred to it.

From 2012 to 2014, he was Chief of Programme Planning and Evaluation at ECLAC, in Santiago (Chile), being responsible for the coordination of the strategic planning of the biennial programme of work of the Commission, as well as of its monitoring and evaluation.

After his post at ECLAC, he returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Buenos Aires to coordinate United Nations, as well as North Africa and Middle East issues, at the Office of Foreign Policy.

Before joining the Foreign Service, Mr. Torres Lepori worked as a journalist and academic. He has written several articles on relations between MERCOSUR and the European Union, on the International Criminal Court, and on the Argentine Constitution.

Mr. Torres Lepori speaks Spanish, English and French, and has some knowledge of Portuguese and Italian. He holds undergraduate degrees in political science and law from the University of Buenos Aires and a postgraduate degree in international relations from the Institute for Political Studies in Paris.